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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Serial No.: US National Phase of  
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For: METHOD AND HAND-HELD DEVICE FOR APPLYING A TOOTH FILLING  
ON SYNTHETIC RESIN BASIS INTO A CAVITY OF A TOOTHPRELIMINARY AMENDMENTHonorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Before calculation of the filing fee, please amend the  
above-identified application as follows:IN THE CLAIMS:Please amend the claims as set forth hereinbelow and in  
the attached appendix:

1. (Amended) Method of conditioning a filling compound  
based on synthetic resin while it is being filled into a  
cavity of a tooth, characterised in that the filling compound  
is subjected to the action of a sound, especially ultrasound,  
during the filling process.

5. (Amended) The hand-held device as defined in Claim 3,